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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. ESTABLISHED 1841.

BIRTHS. On the 6th November, at 9, Wadding Road, Shanghai, the wife of Mr. N. HAYWARD, of the China Inland Mission, of a daughter.

On the 7th November, at No. 2, Theobald Road, Shanghai, the wife of Mr. J. HAYWARD, of a son.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 13th NOVEMBER, 1900

In the London Times of the 13th October, the last number which reached Hongkong by the German Mail, appears a letter from Mr. ROBERT SHEWAN, written in continuation of his former letter in the Times last August, when he protested against the decision of the home authorities not to move the Admiralty Dock from its present site in Hongkong to any other site, except under prohibitive conditions. Mr. SHEWAN then stated that he was about to forward to the Times a proposal for a far more commodious, economical, and suitable situation than that at present contemplated for the dockyard. The letter before us contains this proposal. The situation which he recommends is in Hunghom Bay, Kowloon, and he arranges the following arguments on behalf of his case:

The area of the present site (that is, of the old Naval Yard and the extension, including the military portion) is 44 acres; that at Hunghom would amount to 350 acres.

The sheltered water area now, with a depth of 31 feet at low water, is 95 acres; at Hunghom it would be 160 acres.

* The length of sea-frontage now is 2,400 feet; at Hunghom it would be 5,200 feet.

There is one graving dock on the Island, 550 feet long; there would be three at Hunghom, 1,000 feet in all.

At present the naval work is distributed into four sections, the repairs and victualling being at the Naval Yard, the coaling partly at Kowloon and partly at West Point, and the torpedo-works at Kowloon; in the proposed scheme all work could be concentrated in one establishment, and the now scattered employees could be housed together at the same place.

The estimated cost of the present extension works and equipment amounts to £1,200,000; that of Mr. SHEWAN's proposed

scheme is £2,000,000, though it offers three times the present accommodation. Mr. SHEWAN adds that these figures show an extra cost of £800,000, against which there would be the value of the present site, which he puts roughly at £1,000,000 (about 1,000,000 feet, at \$12 per foot); "not including the present plant, machinery, and buildings, which could no doubt be utilised for the new establishment."

Mr. SHEWAN says in conclusion of his letter:—"The alternative scheme would, therefore, give three docks instead of one, double the length of sea-frontage, eight times the area of land, and seventeen times the area of sheltered water, for the same or less cost; would restore to Hongkong its continuous water-front from east to west, and relieve the city of an incubus, and the harbour of a nuisance, to traffic and an eyesore to everyone."

These arguments, it must be admitted, are strong, and those which refer to the municipal and civilian side of the question are incontrovertible. Nevertheless, two queries suggest themselves in connection with Mr. SHEWAN's proposal which must be answered before we can consider the case in favour of the Hunghom site established. These are:—(1) On what are the figures of the estimated cost of the present and proposed schemes based? and (2) Are there no strategic objections against Hunghom as compared with the present situation? Another point arises in connection with the possible Hunghom reclamation scheme, but this is, no doubt, easy to get over. The two main doubts must be, as we have suggested, as to the correctness of the estimated costs (about which Mr. SHEWAN is not explicit), and as to strategic considerations. If these doubts can be laid to rest satisfactorily, then Mr. SHEWAN's proposal must commend itself to all who have the advancement of Hongkong at heart.

The first of the dance practices in preparation for S. Andrew's Ball was held at the City Hall last evening and attended by a very large number of dancers.

The Mahanaja of Kupurthala, while at Shanghai on his way to Japan, played a brilliant match, 2-0 up, against Mr. Phillips, a local player, at the Hotel, winning by 28 points.

On Wednesday night a burglary was committed in the warehouse of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., 8, Wai Street, when a number of surgical instruments valued at \$400 were stolen.

Tanaka-Low Pak Liu, formerly secretary of the Chinese Legation in London, and afterwards chargé d'affaires in Brussels, has gone to Beijing for audience at Court, and will stay in the capital for some months.

The annual competition for the championship of the Club will be held to-day and to-morrow. Members will be "at home" to their friends at the Club grounds to-morrow from 4.30 p.m.

An *à fresco* fête in aid of the funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be held on the grounds of the B.C. Cathedral on Sunday evening next from 8 till 11 p.m. The entrance fee entitles the holder to a souvenir.

The *Rocky Echo* mentions a rumour that the Pouch waterworks scheme has fallen through owing to the inability or unwillingness of the Chinese Government to supply any capital.

The remaining two of the four American gold-bruakers who created such a sensation in Shanghai and the neighbouring countryside a few months ago left Shanghai on the 3rd inst. by the *Hongkong Mail*, bound for S. Quentin penitentiary, California.

The Hongkong A.D.C., besides giving performances of J. C. Carter's *Lord and Lady Algy* on the 14th, 16th, and 17th inst., have been busily rehearsing of the late Oscar Wilde's witty comedy *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

The petty officer named Falcon, H.M.S. *Edipee*, who accidentally ran over an old Japanese and killed him while riding on a horse at Hakodate on the 24th ult., was brought before the District Court there. The court found the man guilty, but held the case to be one deserving of all possible extenuation. Falcon was fined 50 yen.

The *Kobe Chronicle* reports that the Korean troops at Wiju and Pingyang are inclined to be hostile towards the Japanese, this being merely due to the fact that they are influenced by the strength of the Russians, not that the Russians have instigated them. The outrages committed by the Korean troops on the Japanese at Wiju are the result of disputes about the division of profits on the timber trade.

The following are the remaining results of the races in the Off Day of the Shanghai Race Meeting—Grand National Steeplechase, Mr. Carill's *Loot* 1st, Mr. Robson's *Bonaventure* 2nd, Mr. Hope's *Prize*; "Big Sweep" Cup, Mr. Fernando's *Discord* 1st, Mr. Barley's *His Highness* 2nd, Mr. Buxey's *Rare Rose* 3rd; Mafco's Race, Mr. Nephew's *Hippocampus* 1st, Mr. Toey's *Rubicon* 2nd, Mr. Broom's *Steeple*.

Up to the end of last month the number of cholera cases reported in Nagasaki was over 80. It is recorded in the *Calendar* that Hongkong was first lighted by gas on the 12th November, 1861, just 39 years ago yesterday.

An European East-Asiatic Commercial Company has been formed in Lyons for the purpose of furthering French commerce with China and Japan.

A sham fight took place at Peking on the 30th ult., the Sherwood Foresters and Tientsin Volunteers turning out against the 21st Panjab Infantry.

Shanghai's 60th birthday as an open port takes place to-morrow. The Jubilee of the Settlement was celebrated in appropriate style ten years ago.

An attempt is being made to add one to the number of sports which are open to foreign residents in Nagasaki by starting an Association Football Club.

The *P. & T. Times* says:—"All the blind men in Tientsin held a meeting and had an entertainment among themselves with much music and singing on the 30th Moon, Jupiter's birthday." Jupiter! We thought the old Roman religion dead.

The Cantonese at Tongshan are reported to be always ready to combine in any quarrel, with frequently serious results. They recently nearly murdered a railway employee on North, and the leading offender has been sent back to Canton. No doubt he will soon be in Hongkong.

There are two Japanese, at least, who are keenly interested in the present international dispute between Japan and Russia, and are anxiously hoping that war will be averted, according to the *Kobe Chronicle*. These are the fortunate rich men who some fifteen years ago saved the life of the present Tsar when he was attacked at Okla. His Majesty was then the Tsarevitch. The man who was sharp enough to save him from the attack of a demented policeman is now living very comfortably on annual pensions of 1,000 yen from the Russian Government in addition to pensions of 36 yen each from the Japanese Government, and decorations of the sixth Order of Merit. They are daily praying that war may not come and that negotiations may end in peace.

The *Japan Mail*, commenting on the vagaries of Japanese securities at the end of last month, wrote:—"The curiously uncertain attitude of the British public towards the Far-Eastern crisis is illustrated by repeated fluctuations in the share market. Two days ago a sudden and sharp fall in Japanese securities was caused. On the 28th inst. this was followed by a telegram announcing that the 4-per-cent. had suddenly leaped up from 47 to 48.10s. and 5-per-cent. from 48 to 49.10s. Is Berlin speculating largely in these securities? It looks very like something of the kind, for on more than one occasion when stupidly pessimistic reports from correspondents of English newspapers in Japan have produced a sharp depreciation, Berlin has stepped into the breach with equally silly stories of an opposite complexion. Possibly a ring of shrewd and unscrupulous German financiers have obtained control of an influential section of the Berlin press and are using it to rig the London market."

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-night:—

March—"Sons of the Empire" ... Bradford Overture ... "Stradella" ... Flauto Selection ... "Sole Proprietor" ... Flauto Solo ... "Eine Nacht in der Schweiz" ... Huns Selection ... "Cigarette" ... Haysen Parry Waltz ... "Revivons l'Amour" ... Fauchey Polonaise ... "God Save the King."

DINNER MENU: soup, Scotch Egg on toast, Baked Fillet of Sole and Mushroom Sauce, ENTREES: Grilled Lamb Chop and Mashed Potatoes, Lamb and Potatoes, Lobster à la Saute, JOINTS: Roast Beef and Yorkshire pudding, Roast Pheasant, Cold Ham, CURE: Vegetables, SALAD: Beetroot and Tomato, VEGETABLES: Boiled Potatoes, Baked Potatoes, Brassica, Green Peas, COCAINUT pudding, Fruit Pie, Vanilla Cream, Mincing Pie.

H.M.S. "AMPHITRITE."

The *Amphitrite* has been ashore in the Straits and is coming up to dock at Hongkong on the 20th inst. One of her bilge keels is supposed to be badly damaged, but it is not yet known how many plates will have to be removed. It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good, and this unfortunate accident will be welcome news to shareholders in the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.

SHOOTING.

The best bag of the week was secured at Coe So, Taishan Island, situated about 4 hours' launch journey from Hongkong. It consisted of 15 brace altogether: seven of quail and eight of snipe. Three other sportsmen secured another 15 brace between them in the same vicinity on the same day. To get to this "Paradise" one has first to secure a permit to land from the Kowloon Customs. It is situated about six miles on the other side of Taishan Bay.

TELEGRAMS

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE TROUBLE IN GERMAN WEST AFRICA.

LONDON, 12th November, 11 a.m.

WARMBAD RECAPTURED.

Warmbad, in Great Namaqualand, has been recaptured by the Germans. (Our special telegram of the 6th inst. stated that the German garrison at Warmbad, South-West Africa, had been massacred.—Ed. D.P.)

ERM N ACTION IN THE CARIBBEAN.

LONDON, 12th November, 11 a.m.

San Domingo has been captured by the rebels. A force of German marines has been landed. (It is impossible to say whether this refers to San Domingo in Dominica or to San Domingo in Costa Rica; a rebellion in either State is not improbable.—Ed. D.P.)

INTERPORT SHOOTING MATCH.

SINGAPORE BEATS HONGKONG.

SINGAPORE, 12th November.

Singapore's score is 927 in the Interport match. (Hongkong's score on Wednesday was 591. So Singapore has beaten us by 336 points. The total of 927 is one point more than Shanghai's winning total last year, so Singapore should stand a good chance of winning. Singapore was second in last year's match, being 33 points less than Shanghai, and 18 points more than Hongkong. We publish the above telegram by kind permission of the Hongkong Rifle Association.—Ed. D.P.)

EUTER'S SERVICE.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

LONDON, 10th November.

The Panama Republic has appointed a Commission to negotiate a Canal Treaty with the United States.

THE LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET.

LONDON, 10th November.

The Prime Minister, in his speech at the Guildhall on the 9th inst., said that in the Far East as well as in the Near East there are subjects giving food for much thought, if not for profound anxiety; but in regard to the Far East there was no more passionate advocate of peace than the Earl of Russell; and our allies in Japan were certain to show moderation, discretion, and judgment in making demands.

The Macedonian question was far more complicated, and had been the cause of infinite political complications. It was impossible that Austria and Russia, representing the signatories of the Berlin Treaty, could allow the Reform Scheme to be rejected either by direct repudiation or by incessant delay.

AGITATION IN RUSSIAN ARMENIA.

LONDON, 10th November.

The Armenian provinces of Russia are agitated owing to the confiscation by the Government of Church property, and the agitation is intensifying. The soldiers, after surrounding the residence of the Catholicos Echmiadzin, forced an entrance and seized the entire treasury, amounting to half a million roubles. The Armenians are bitterly incensed.

CRICKET.

L. A. V. REST OF GARRISON.

A match was played on the Cricket Ground yesterday between the Royal Artillery and the Rest of the Garrison.

Lieut. Dobby was absent, so the R. A. team played on a makeshift. Lieut. Lumsden was also to have played for the R. A., but had to be replaced on account of illness. It was very unfortunate for the R. A., as Lumsden was the best man of the team. He played for Hongkong against Shanghai in the last Interport match.

Major Chichester won the toss and put in Heath and Harvey. Harvey was caught in the slips when the score registered 34, and the next wicket fell shortly afterwards. Heath then did some good hitting, though, indeed, he only played to his accustomed good style. Captain Chichester declared the innings when the score stood at 210 for six wickets. Smith carried off bowling honours. The Royal Artillery made a poor show, being all polished off for 59 runs. Scores and analysis were as follows:—

THE GARRISON
Heath c. Riach, b. Smith ... 130
Harvey c. Riach, b. Smith ... 9
Hodgson c. Nugent, b. Smith ... 14
Simmons b. Smith ... 17
Davies c. Dowling, b. Smith ... 11
Chichester not out ... 5
Radcliffe c. a. b. Smith ... 7
Ferreir not out ... 4
Byes ... 13

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 210

Chesney, Morley, and Booke did not bat

ROYAL ARTILLERY.	
Smith c. Harvey, b. Chichester ...	4
Riach b. Chichester ...	9
Dowling c. a. b. Chichester ...	2
Nugent b. Chichester ...	17
Boyd c. Heath, b. Chichester ...	0
Thornhill b. Chichester ...	1
Butcher b. Chichester ...	10
Kirkpatrick not out ...	11
Strover c. Heath, b. Chichester ...	4
Miles b. Chichester ...	3
Byes ...	8

Total (for 9 wickets) 59

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	
THE GARRISON.	
Smith ... 19 overs 1 maiden 34 runs 6 wickets	
Riach ... 5 " 0 " 27 " 0 "	
Nugent ... 7 " 0 " 46 " 0 "	
Kirkpatrick ... 6 " 0 " 38 " 0 "	
Dowling ... 2 " 0 " 5 " 0 "	

Total (8 wickets) ... 84

ROYAL ARTILLERY.	
Chichester ... 3 " 0 " 28 " 4	
Chesney ... 8 " 1 " 23 " 5	

The Royal Artillery went in for the second time, when Heath and Chesney put them out in quick succession. Boyd made 40 runs not out, and that was the only score worth talking about, eight wickets falling for 84 runs.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.	
Smith c. Harvey, b. Davies ...	17
Kirkpatrick c. Hodgson, b. Heath ...	0
Riach b. Heath ...	0
Dowling b. Heath ...	2
Nugent b. Chichester ...	13
Boyd not out ...	40
Thornhill b. Chichester ...	2
Butcher c. Chichester b. Chichester ...	4
Strover c. a. b. Heath ...	0
Byes ...	6

Total (8 wickets) ... 84

The H.K.C.C. will play the Garrison to-morrow on the Cricket Ground at 11 a.m., when the following will represent the Club:—H. Arthur, R. E. Q. Bird, C. B. S. Cooper, J. T. Dixon, A. Hume, C. F. Matland, T. E. Pearce, T. Sercomb-Smith, W. C. D. Turner, W. W. Ross, and E. Mask.

The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. in their League match against H.M.S. *Tamar* to-morrow, commencing at 2.15 p.m. sharp, on the former's ground:—Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, G. A. Woodcock, J. Deveney, B. Withnell, F. T. Robins, H. Gidley, W. H. Woolley, J. Lander, P. T. Lambie, W. Pitt, and L. E. Brett. Escorts: W. J. Andrews and A. P. Gladwell.

THE NEW LAW COURTS.

FOUNDATION-STONE LAID BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

Yesterday afternoon the foundation-stone of the new Law Courts was laid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., in the presence of a brilliant gathering of Hongkong residents. The ceremony took place at half-past four o'clock, and long before that hour had arrived a large crowd of spectators had assembled on the scene. All the scaffolding on the site was decked with bunting. Stands were provided for the ladies, of whom many attended, and for the members of the Bench and the Bar. The foundation-stone was suspended by a crane, ready to be lowered into position. At the hour fixed for the ceremony H.E. the Governor and Lady Blake, with Sir John Keane, A.D.C., arrived in the enclosure and were met by the Chief Justice, Sir William Gooden (who wore his official robes), and the Hon. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works, who escorted His Excellency to the stand erected for the purposes of the ceremony proper. Among others present were Lady Goodman; Hon. Sir Henry S. Barclay, Attorney-General; His Honour A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, Mr. A. Seth, Registrar; Mr. J. W. Jones, Deputy Registrar; Mr. M. W. Shide, Mr. H. H. Gompertz, Messrs. H. W. Looker, F. B. L. Bowley, J. Hastings, P. W. Goldring, E. J. Griest, C. E. H. Beavis, G. C. C. Master, V. Deacon, E. A. Bonner, J. S. Harston, O. D. Thomson, J. Hays, M. J. D. Stephens, S. W. To and F. X. d'Almada e Castro; Hon. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary; Sir Paul Chater, Hon. C. W. Dickson, Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, P.C.M.O.; Hon. Dr. Ho Kai; Messrs. J. Dyer Ball, H. P. Tooker, B. A. Hale, P. H. Jones, B. B. Barker, E. A. Hewett, H. G. Fisher, Gerstman Stewart, L. A. M. Johnston, M. S. Northcote, Rev. C. H. Hickling, Rev. T. Wright, Messrs. P. P. J. Woodhouse, A. Shelton Hooper, G. A. Woodcock, Fang Wa Chun, Lau Chu Pak, Dr. W. W. Pearce, and Dr. B. T. Barnett. A body of police under Captain Lyons and Chief Inspector Baker was present and pre-arranged excellent order.

His Excellency and party having taken their places on the platform at the foundation-stone, Hon. W. CHATHAM said:—Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen,—"We are met together to-day to inaugurate the construction of the new Law Courts. The Colony, though still somewhat young, has already outgrown the accommodation afforded by the present Courts, which were built in 1843, and the question of erecting a new building has, for a considerable time past, exercised the minds of the Government and the public. The first real move in the matter was made in 1896, when the then Director of Public Works, Mr. Cooper, submitted a scheme for constructing new Law Courts on a site immediately to the North of the one we are now standing on. The Courts formed only a part of the scheme, which contemplated the erection on this site of public offices to accommodate several other departments, including the Post Office. Mr. Cooper's proposal was referred by the Secretary of State for the Colonies (Mr. Chamberlain) to the eminent English architects, Messrs. Aston Webb and Ingress Bell, and upon their recommendation, which was based upon the inadequate area of the site to the North of this, it was decided to erect the Courts here. The other departments, to which I have referred, will be provided for on a site adjoining Blakely Pier, where they will be more conveniently situated, from a public point of view. The area to the North of this will therefore remain available for the erection of a new building, which will thus be created. Lack of funds has been responsible to some extent for the delay which has occurred in undertaking the work, and I may here mention that some 11 years ago an agitation was got up to arrest the progress of the reclamation works, by the carrying out of which

the site for the Courts has been rendered available. As the cost of the works will amount to about \$750,000, it has not been an easy matter to provide for it among the numerous urgent demands for public works caused by the rapid development of the Colony. Other factors in causing delay have been the difficulties arising out of the contract for the foundations, the necessity of removing the Praya Reclamation Office in order to clear the site, and subsequently of piling the area which it had occupied and the difficulty of obtaining a tender to construct the superstructure for a reasonable sum. Now that these have been overcome, there is every prospect of the work progressing satisfactorily, though, on account of the large quantity of dressed granite to be employed—over 150,000 cubic feet—progress must necessarily be slower than if brick and plaster were used in the case of most of the buildings around us. The building when completed will be in every way worthy of the Colony and of the high purpose it is designed to serve, and it may safely be predicted that, in it, that justice which plays so important a part in British rule will continue to be administered for many years to come. I would now ask you, Sir, to lay this stone, and for this purpose I have no hand you this trowel and mallet and spirit-level which are the gift of the contractor, Mr. Chan A. Tong. (Applause.)

The trowel was silver and the mallet black-wood silver-mounted.

His Excellency formally accepted the souvenirs, which bore the following inscription:—"Presented to His Excellency Sir Henry Arthur Blake, G.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, on the occasion of laying the foundation-stone of the new Law Courts, by Chan A. Tong, contractor, 12th November, 1900."

Sir WILLIAM GOODMAN then said:—"Your Excellency very kindly asked me this morning, as Chief Justice, to make a few remarks, on this extremely interesting occasion, upon the present Supreme Court and its actual practical working. Perhaps I may be permitted, in the first instance, to express, in the name of the members of the legal profession, the satisfaction we experience in being present here to-day, and in knowing that, all obstacles having been at length overcome, Your Excellency is now about to lay the foundation-stone of a building thoroughly worthy of the position of this Colony, and of the traditions of the administration of British justice. It is most important, especially so in Oriental countries, that justice should be administered not only with fairness, impartiality and promptitude, but also with dignity, and in surroundings in consonance with Supreme Courts of His Majesty the King, where we had ministers justice, through his Judges. There have been some difficulties for the Judges to keep up even a semblance of dignity. For certain purposes, I believe, it is convenient to be in the closest proximity to the General Post Office. It is supposed to enhance the value of the property. But in the case of the Supreme Court such immediate proximity is a serious drawback. I can, from my own experience, assure your Excellency that you have no more adequate energetic Civil Service than those engaged in what I may call the carpentering branch of the General Post and the machine-stamping departments of the Post Office, and the Collector of Stamp Duties. (Laughter.) Last year, I recollect being entirely suppressed as a Judge. It was in Chambers; and whenever the legal gentlemen got to the most interesting point of their argument, the stamping machine would commence operations, with the regularity of a smith beating on an anvil—a smith who was certainly not a "barren old blacksmith." (Laughter.) The machine was within 20 feet of the seats we were occupying, and we had, day after day, to select our most persuasive officer (it was mostly Mr. Smith—you know the sameness of his tongue) to go round and beg for half an hour's cessation, as it was impossible to hear a word. (Laughter.) After much correspondence with the Government, during your Excellency's absence, that machine was removed, but I believe the Collector of Stamp Duties has never been thoroughly happy since. (Laughter.) But at the happy time, the hammering and the clanking cases, these, like the present "over with us," and at the same time owing to our proximity to the Queen's Road, visits from the steam-roller, which seems to consider that the granite in front of the windows of the Court House is best crushed into shape during the sittings of the Court. I believe my colleagues, Mr. Justice Wise, was once very nearly committing the steam roller and its driver's car to the Court, but I daresay there were difficulties in the way of getting it upstairs into the presence of the outraged Judges. (Laughter.) At present the half of the ground floor of the Supreme Court. I remember on my return from leave of absence, some years ago, I found that the Post Office had expropriated me. (Laughter.) I could not have a new Territories Treaty, and they took possession of the Attorney-General's and Crown Solicitor's chambers, and remain there now. At one time I remember that the Registrar-General had rooms in the Supreme Court Room, one had to push one's way through a crowd of Chinese applicants for those numerous licences which he has the duty of granting or withholding. I can speak only from personal recollection, of a period of some years, but that is quite long enough to impress upon me the fact that there is no heating apparatus in the Court. Once there were hot-water pipes, but no officer was deputed to look after them, and one of the former Chief Justices preferred catching cold to listening to the weird black-curdling noises of those antiquated pipes, and running the risk of an explosion. The juryman who sat in the February Sessions always appeared to me extremely unhappy, and I have often sympathized with them. (Laughter.) But I have said enough about the present Court-house as a building. If I have said too much, your Excellency knows how delightful it is to ventilate long-suppressed grievances, and will in your goodness excuse me. Turning to the work of the Court it may be of public interest to give some idea of what goes on within its walls. I believe the Chinese are not at all inclined to embark in litigation in their own country. But they seem quite willing to do so in Hongkong. Speaking of the last ten months, namely, from 1st January, 1900, to 31st October, 1900, no less than 1,476 civil actions have been brought, of which no less than 1,200 have been disposed of. The amount in dispute in these actions was roughly about \$900,000. In addition to all this there have in the same period been eight Admiralty cases and 26 Bankruptcy petitions and an immense number of applications for probate and administration. I find that on an average for the last five years the value of the property for which probate or administration has been granted has been nearer \$4,000,000 than \$3,000,000 per annum. I am afraid some of the Chinese wills are made by the family after the supposed testator's death (laughter), as an amiable arrangement to prevent having to take out administration and find securities for the necessary bond. Indeed I had a very funny so-called will presented for probate only yesterday.

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NOTICE.

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All residents in the Colony are cordially invited to sign the address.

Special Copies for signature will be found at the undermentioned houses.

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The "Catholic Union" Club.

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Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.

Messrs. Campbell, Moore & Co.

The Address will be presented to H.E. the Governor by the Chief Justice in the City Hall at 11 a.m. on SATURDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 1903, when all signatories are invited to be present.

By Order of the Committee.
E. A. HEWETT.
Hongkong, 13th November, 1903. [3139]

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Apply by letter to—
THE CHAIRMAN OF DIRECTORS
2, Kinkiang Road, Shanghai, China.
Shanghai, 13th November, 1903. [3143]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from the undermentioned Batteries, and on the dates as specified opposite—

Stonemasons' West in a South-Westerly direction at a range of about 2,000 yards, on the 20th NOVEMBER, 1903.

Lyonm (Lyons) at a range of about 4,000 yards to the North of Futou Chau and 4,800 yards along the Western shore of Junk Bay, on the 21st NOVEMBER, 1903.

Practice will commence at about 9 a.m. daily, and end about 11 a.m. daily, if the range is clear.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will be carried out on the 23rd inst.

By Command,
F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [3141]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 17th NOVEMBER, 1903, at 2.30 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road, an

ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, HANDSOME SILVER CLOISONNE VASES AND BUCKLES, AND BRONZES, SATSUMA AND KANZA VASES, HANDSOME TEA SETS, and ORNAMENTS.

IVORY INLAID PANELS, PICTURES AND ALBUMS, &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 3th November, 1903. [3144]

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, AND KOBE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ARAGONIA," Captain Forst, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 20th inst., at 5 p.m.

For Freight, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1903. [3138]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

TO LET.

No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.

Apply to—

SANG KEE,

Comptroller Department,

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.;

or

No. 72, WING LOK STREET.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1903. [3142]

ENTERTAINMENT'S

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR

DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES OF

LORD AND LADY ALGY

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 14th

MONDAY, 15th November, 1903.

TUESDAY, 16th

Commencing each Evening at 9 p.m., precisely.

Dress Circle \$3.

Stalls 3.

Pit 1.

No HALF PRICE.

Booking Office will be opened daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Late Trains will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1903. [3027]

A L FRESCO FETE.

(in aid of the funds of the SOCIETY OF

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL).

to be held on the GROUNDS of the ROMAN

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL,

on

SUNDAY EVENING,

the 15th day of NOVEMBER, 1903,

from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Admittance Ticket \$1.00.

The Ticket on being presented at the

"SOUVENIR PAVILION," will be exchanged for a Souvenir (on the Evening of the Fete only).

Tickets can be obtained at the Gate, on the night of the Fete.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1903. [3128]

DANCING.

PLEASE NOTE.

MRS. DONALDSON (Daughter of

Professor F. F. WALLACE, of Ros-

mount Dancing Academy, Glasgow), begs to

inform the residents of Hongkong and district

that her Classes are now forming in the CITY

HALL, and beginners who wish to be able to

dance this season in time for the Scotch Ball

should not delay enrolling.

BEGINNERS' CLASS.

Twice weekly \$10 a month.

ADVANCED CLASS.

Once a week \$7 a month.

CHILDREN'S CLASS.

Once a week \$4 a month.

PRIVATE CLASSES or PUPILS as may

be arranged.

Pupils enrolled at the Robinson Piano Co. Ltd.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1903. [3133]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION OF TOYS FOR

CHRISTMAS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions

to Sell by Public Auction, on

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 14th NOVEMBER, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon,

at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,

A Great Variety of TOYS of different qualities.

In lots to suit purchasers.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [3117]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions

to Sell by Public Auction

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

SATURDAY,

the 21st NOVEMBER, 1903, at 10 a.m., on Board,

The American Schooner

"LILL-BONNE"

lying at present at No. 6 Buoy off Kowloon

Docks, with all her tackle, apparel and appur-

tenances, etc., an inventory of which may be

seen at the Office of the undersigned, in

One Lot.

TERMS: The vessel to be at purchaser's risk

on fall of hammer, when one-third of purchase

money is to be paid; balance on transfer.

N.B.—A Launch will leave Blake Pier at 10.30

a.m. on day of Sale to convey intending

purchasers.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

GEO. F. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1903. [3135]

SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE beg to inform the Ladies and Gentle-

men of this town that we have just

opened a Shop where we are selling SILK of

all kinds, GRASS CLOTHS, ORIENTAL

EMBROIDERIES, Hand-made LACE of all

kinds, SILVER WARE, and other Articles.

FANCY GOODS and CURIOSITIES.

Prices very moderate.

Inspection invited.

O. KEMATELAI & CO.,

5, Arsenal Street (Queen's Road

East), Hongkong.

Hongkong, 9th November, 1903. [3102]

FURTHER REDUCTION

IN

FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER.

TRY OUR FRESH AUSTRALIAN

BUTTER. We do not put up the butter

in prints here as many others do, after import-

ing it in bulk. We are now offering this

article at a very low price—80 cents a roll.

Quality will speak for itself.

Special terms to Messrs. Boarding Houses,

Hotels, and large Consumers.

H. RUTTONJEE,

No. 5, D'Aguiar Street, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1903. [3129]

INTIMATIO

(ABBREVIATED PROSPECTUS.)

THE ANGLIO-JAPANESE

LOCOMOTIVE AND ENGINEERING

COMPANY, LIMITED.

[Incorporated under The Companies Ordinances, Hongkong, 1895 to 1899, whereby the liability of a shareholder is limited to the amount of his shares.]

CAPITAL, Yen 1,000,000, divided into 10,000 shares of Yen 100 each, payable as follows:—
Yen 50 on application, Yen 25 on allotment, and the balance when called for.

Of these 10,000 shares, 6,450 are now offered for subscription.

MANAGER:

ROLAND FINCH, Esq., of Yokohama, Japan.

MANAGING AGENTS:

Messrs. SAMUEL & Co., Yokohama, Japan.

HONGKONG AGENT:

GEO. K. HALL BRUTON, Esq. (Temporary)

BANKERS:

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SOLICITOR:

GEO. K. HALL BRUTON, Esq., of Nos. 39 and 41, Des Vaux Road, Hongkong.

AUDITOR:

A. R. LOWE, Esq., Hongkong.

REGISTERED OFFICES:

Nos. 39 and 41, Des Vaux Road, Hongkong.

The Company has been formed for the purpose

of acquiring land in Japan and of erecting work-

shops thereon for the construction and repair

of locomotive engines, railway rolling stock,

iron and steel bridges, structural ironwork, iron-

foundry and general engineering work.

In addition to the manufacture of locomotive

engines, for which there is a constant demand,

this Company will undertake repair-work of all

kinds in connection with railway rolling stock.

There is to the knowledge of the Manager

only one small workshop in Japan which

undertakes work of a similar character to that

proposed to be carried out by this company. It

will readily be seen, therefore, that there is a

great want in Japan for a company with

modern machinery and a thoroughly effi-

cient equipment capable of carrying out work

in accordance with the Memorandum of As-

sociation.

The smaller railways using a large proportion

of the total number of locomotives and rolling

stock have no repairing shops, and suffer great

inconvenience and expense in consequence, as it

is difficult for them to get the necessary repairs

and renewals attended to without serious delay.

From these repairs alone a very profitable

source of income will be realised.

The Manager has for several years designed

engines for the East. These designs have been

sent home, and the engines constructed from

these designs have, when completed, given

universal satisfaction. From his intimate

knowledge of the various Japanese Railways,

he is thoroughly acquainted with their require-

ments, as well as with the different types of

locomotives now in service, now on order, and

others contemplated, and for which orders have

not yet been placed. It will be seen, therefore,

that the Manager has an intimate knowledge of

the type of engines required for the Japanese

Railways, and the cost of manufacturing and

delivering these engines, and the prices actually

paid for them by the buyers.

The land which the manager proposes to

acquire for the Company is situated at Kaga-

yama, Yokohama, Japan, and is suitable for the

purpose of the Company as it adjoins the railway

and water.

It is estimated that the buildings fully

equipped can be completed and ready for work

ten months after building operations commence,

and that 25 locomotive engines will be completed

within six months of the completion of the

workshops, and that the manufacture will go on

at the rate of 25 engines for each half year.

These could be sold for cash as completed.

Extensive orders are very frequently given

for steel railway and other bridges for the East

and in view of the development of railway

construction, such orders will continue to be

issued in increased volume for many years to

come. It is the intention of the company, to

undertake the construction of such work, from

which large profits are expected to be realised.

For several years past there has been a de-

mand by the smaller of the Japanese Railways

for the purchase of locomotives and rolling

stock to be paid for on the hire-purchase system;

hitherto no English builders have seen their

way to supply any rolling stock on the terms

named, and it is the intention of the Company

to supply such demands under proper guarantees

for payment, and from which large profits, are

so expected to be realised.

The Company therefore start work under

very favourable conditions and with a connection

already established equal to about 66 per cent.

of the total manufacturing capacity of the

works, which is sufficient in itself to pay hand-

some dividends to the shareholders; and in

view of the development of railways in the

East no difficulty is anticipated in securing

orders to keep the Company's works constantly

going to its utmost capacity. The Company

will have no difficulty in securing all the skilled

labour necessary on the spot, which will be

directed by the Manager and supervised by

thoroughly skilled foremen from home.

Railways are also in course of construction

and extension in China, Manchuria, Corea, Siam,

Borneo and Burma, and very large numbers of

locomotives as well as other rolling stock will

soon be needed on these railways, the whole of

which will be imported. The Company pro-

poses to endeavour to secure a portion of that

work.

The following contract has been made, name-

ly, a contract dated the 29th day of July, 1903,

between Roland Finch, Esq., of Yokohama,

Japan, Gentleman, of the one part, and Edward

Clarence Davis, Esq., of the

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 Nov. 12, AN PRO, British str., 960, Kynoch, Swatow 11th Nov., General—BRADLEY & CO.
 Nov. 12, CHANGSHA, British str., 1,483, T. Moore, Australia 17th Oct. and Manila 9th Nov., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
 Nov. 12, KANAGAWA MARU, Jap. str., 3,123, John McKenzie, Shanghai 9th Nov., General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
 Nov. 12, RUM, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, Manila 7th November, General—SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
 Nov. 12, SHAKANO MARU, Japanese str., 2,064, Fujita, Nagasaki 6th Nov., Coal—EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.
 Nov. 12, SHANGHAI, British steamer, 2,044, A. Thompson, Foochow 10th Nov., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 Nov. 12, TAIPING, Chinese str., 1,378, F. A. Brissander, Wuhu and Chinkiang 5th Nov., General—CHINSEE
 Nov. 12, WONKOKI, German str., 1,115, W. Reher, Haikow 10th November, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

CLEARANCES
 AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 12th November.
 Clearing, British str., for Moji.
 Hacking, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.
 12th November.
 HAILONG, British str., for Swatow.
 HAKOI, French str., for Haiphong.
 KWELIK, British str., for Canton.
 KWONGKANG, British str., for Shanghai.
 PRUSSIAN, German str., for Europe.
 PRINZ HEINRICH, German str., for Shanghai.
 RICHMOND CASTLE, British str., for New York.
 SAGAMI, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
 11th November.

ARRIVED DOCK.
 KOWLOON DOCK.—Lillebonne, Chuen Tiao, Taitai, H.M.S. Hunter, Taitai.
 COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Salamanca, Loosoh, Hongkong.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH
 INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.
 THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG."
 Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
 This Steamer has superior accommodation for First-class Passengers and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
 JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 10th November, 1903. [3206]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
 (Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
 Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALAIO.
 Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

"ISCHIA."
 Captain Magazzini, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 13th inst., at Noon.
 At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.
 For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
 CARLOWITZ & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [4]

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship

"KOWLOON."
 Captain Stier, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 16th inst., at 5 P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
 Hongkong Office.
 Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [3114]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.
 PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.
 THE Company's Steamship

"ARMAND BEHIC."
 Captain Flamin, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 16th inst., at Noon.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
 Agent.
 Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [2]

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR RANGOON, VIA AMOY AND SWATOW.
 THE Company's Steamship

"PURNIA."
 Captain F. W. Packham, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 17th inst., at 3 P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [3125]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAL."
 Captain J. G. Offent, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 17th inst., at Noon.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 11th November, 1903. [3111]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

HE Underigned GENERAL AGENTS
 in GUYANA AND JAPAN for the above Line prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in the GULF OF ADEN, in connection with the STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPT. PORTS every fortnight. For Freight and further particulars, apply to
 DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
 General Agents for China and Japan.
 Hongkong, 4th August, 1903.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	A. Thompson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 13th inst.
LONDON &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	MALTA	Brit. str.	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	21st inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	POLYTHEMUS	Brit. str.	J. McGillicray	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	J. McGillicray	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c. V. SPORE, &c.	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	J. MacKenzie	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	15th Dec.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AUSTRALIEN	Brit. str.	Verron	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	NINGHONG	Brit. str.	S. J. G. Parsons	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	S. J. G. Parsons	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	20th inst.
TRIESTE &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PHONETUS	Brit. str.	S. J. G. Parsons	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th inst., D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	Brit. str.	S. J. G. Parsons	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th Dec.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	E. Burmeister	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd Dec.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	Stern	MELCHERS & CO.	5th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	Bork	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	15th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	Forest	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	1st December.
TRIESTE &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NURBERG	Ger. str.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	15th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL	NIPPON	Aus. str.	Klausberger	SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	29th Dec.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	HENNINGTON	Rus. str.	W. T. Bain	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	20th inst. P.M.
NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ	NUBIA	Brit. str.	von Hoff	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 19th inst.
YANCOOVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF INDIA	Brit. str.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	About end of Dec.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN, &c.	ACHENIAN	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	18th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA S'HAU, &c.	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	J. W. Ekstrand	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	To-morrow.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA S'HAU, &c.	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	J. W. Ekstrand	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	17th inst., at 4 P.M.
PORTLAND, OREGON	SHIMANU MARU	Jap. str.	H. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	1st Dec., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	INDANAPURA	Brit. str.	Hollingsworth	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	To-morrow.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	P. T. Helms	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
KOBE, NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK	MANILA	Jap. str.	H. G. H. Lowell	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	18th inst., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHANGSHA	Jap. str.	J. Nagao	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 16th inst.
CHEMULPO, DALNY & PORT ARTHUR	KOWLOON	Jap. str.	Stier	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	27th inst., D'light.
SHANGHAI	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	J. W. Wale	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	16th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SULBERG	Ger. str.	Meyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	16th inst., at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	KWELIN	Brit. str.	Flamin	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd inst., D'light.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	A. BEHIC	Fren. str.	Flamin	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 16th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HUIHUI	Brit. str.	Flamin	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHINA	Aus. str.	Ivelich	SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	17th inst., P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	Forest	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	20th inst., at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	BALABAR	Brit. str.	F. R. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 21st inst.
AMOI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	AMOI MARU	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	15th inst.
AMOI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	AMOI MARU	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	17th inst.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	AMOI MARU	Jap. str.	T. W. Groves	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	22nd inst.
MANILA DIRECT	RUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, 5 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	PERIA	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, 11 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	ROSETTA MARU	Jap. str.	H. S. Smith	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
MANILA DIRECT	TANAN	Brit. str.	Kaifong	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
MANILA DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	21st inst.
MANILA DIRECT	TREBONT	Brit. str.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 23rd inst.
MANILA DIRECT	WUOHANG	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	16th inst.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	ISCHIA	Ital. str.	Magazzini	CARLOWITZ & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	T. Murali	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	1st Dec., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	GREGORY APCAL	Brit. str.	J. G. Offent	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	17th inst., at 3 P.M.
RANGOON, VIA AMOY & SWATOW	PURNIA	Brit. str.	F. W. Packham	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	17th inst., at 3 P.M.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.
 PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
 SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, ADEMAN, MARSEILLES, MEDITERANEAN, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, &c.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 17th November, 1903, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "AUSTRALIEN," Captain Verron, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSSHIPMENT.
 This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the Australian line as "Oceania" bound for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and ADEN.
 Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
 Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 16th November. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.
 Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.
 For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
 Hongkong, 5th November, 1903. [2]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
 Calling at Port Darwin and Queens-land Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE."
 Captain P. T. Helms, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 18th November, at Noon.
 This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
 This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
 A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon are carried.
 N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
 GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 22nd October, 1903. [2954]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUS-TRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.
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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
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PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 9th December
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY 23rd December

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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
KIAUTSCHOU	WEDNESDAY 6th January
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HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY 13th April
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Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
SHAWMUT	9,606	W. M. Smith	Saturday, November 14th
OLYMPIA	2,837	A. Dixon	Wednesday, November 25th
TACOMA	2,812	M. Riley	Tuesday, December 15th
VICTORIA	3,502	J. Truett	Saturday, December 19th
TREBONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	Thursday, December 24th
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Thursday, January 21st

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KANAGAWA MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE	SATURDAY, 14th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.
J. MacKenzie	PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	

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TAMBA MARU KOBE and YOKOHAMA. FRIDAY, 20th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.

HIROSHIMA MARU MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA. FRIDAY, 27th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.

SADO MARU MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID. SATURDAY, 28th Nov., at DAYLIGHT.

BOMBAY MARU BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO. TUESDAY, 1st Dec., at NOON.

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